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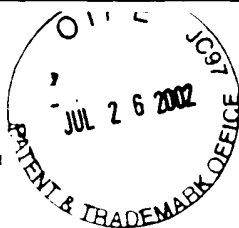
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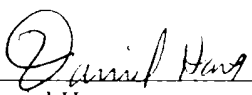
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Dear Eric:

This is to inform you that we mailed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement to the United States Patent and Trademark Office today in the above-referenced patent application. Enclosed is a copy for your records.

Please note again that duty of disclosure is an ongoing duty throughout the pendency of the application. Accordingly, any newly found prior art should be promptly forwarded to us. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you know of no additional prior art.

We will continue to keep you advised as further developments occur. If you have any questions or wish additional information, please call me.

Sincerely,

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